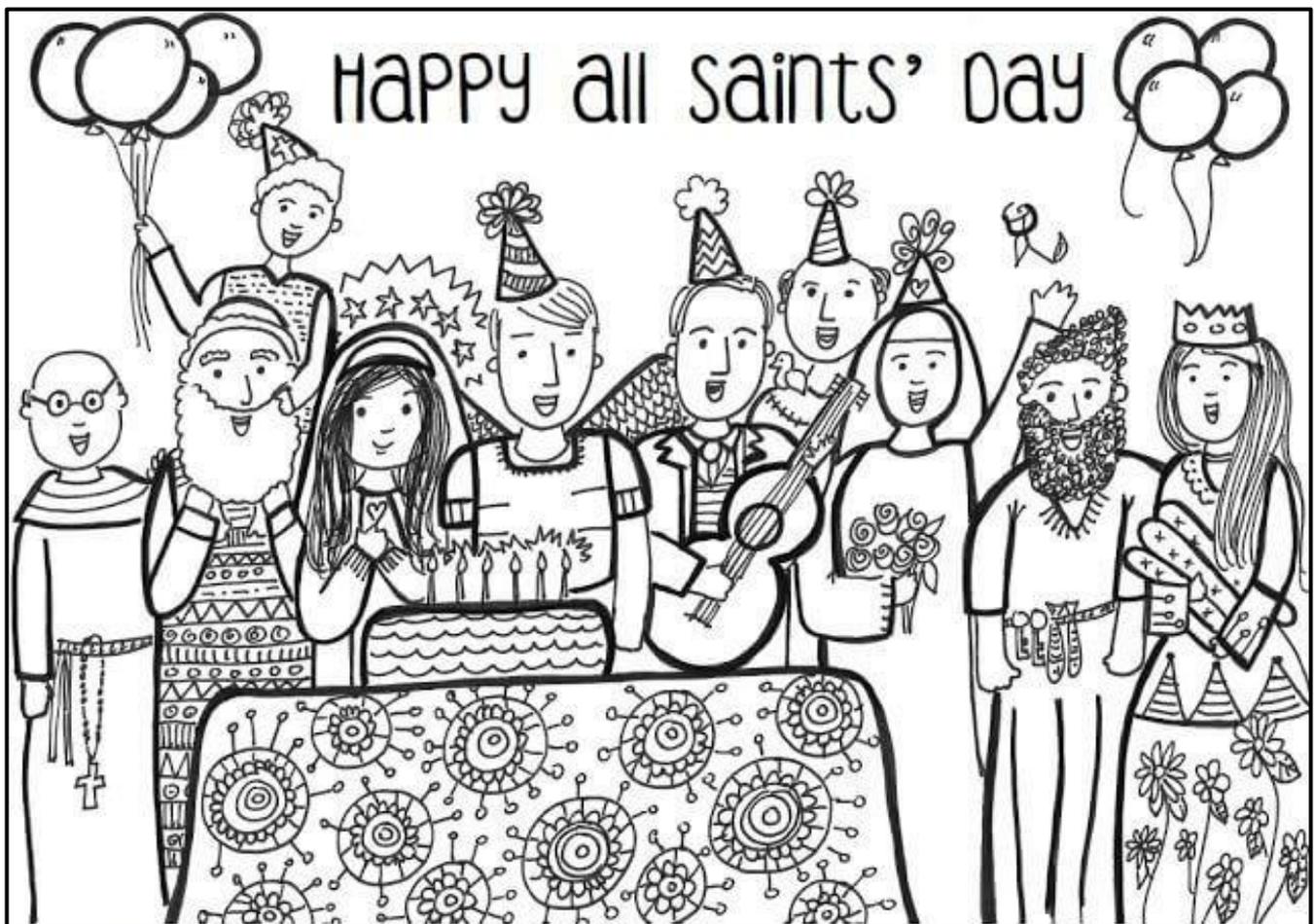


ST PETER'S PARKSTONE



FOCUSED ON GOD - SPEAKING OF JESUS - CARING ABOUT PEOPLE

All Saints' Day All Age Eucharist



10am on Sunday 1st November 2020
President – Revd Mike Trotman – Rector

Feel free to take this service booklet home with you.

Welcome to St Peter's

It is now just a couple of months since we resumed worship in the church building. Please continue to be cautious; maintaining hand hygiene and social distance for the whole time that you are in the building.

We are delighted that our choir is gradually returning, but we are still not allowed to join in with the hymns as a congregation, so please enjoy the choir's gifts and allow them to sing on your behalf. We continue to refrain from moving about or touching as we pass the peace. Face coverings are now required by all attending worship in the church building. This is a legal requirement unless you have a health exemption. Considering the distance from the congregation and the need to communicate clearly, the sacred ministers will not wear face coverings except at the distribution of Communion. Communion will be offered in one kind only.

A collection will not be taken during the service, but there is provision for you to make your offering as you leave the building. Please put your contribution into a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax and be sure to fill in the details on the envelope. That way, you will be able to 'Gift Aid' your contribution and St Peter's will be able to get some money back from the government.

We now have the facility for you to make donations by contactless payment if you wish to do so. This can be accessed by the north door. You can also make an offering via the 'donate' button on the St Peter's website: www.stpetersparkstone.org.uk. Thank you.

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THE GATHERING

Please stand as the service begins with a hymn, sung by the choir:

**For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**O blest communion! fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warrior cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

*Please sit as the President welcomes everyone.
There may be a time to share items for thanksgiving or prayer.*

*We say sorry for the wrong we have done against God,
the whole world, and our neighbour.*

One of the hallmarks of the lives of saints is that they were people of prayer and people of change. They realised that following Jesus meant living differently, and being sorry for the things that were wrong in their lives. We are also taking time now to say sorry to God for those things in our lives that have hurt other people and hurt God.

Holy God, you call us to be people of prayer,
but we forget to turn to you.
Lord, have mercy.
All Lord, have mercy.

Holy God, you call us to be people who serve,
but we forget the needs of others.
Christ, have mercy.
All Christ, have mercy.

Holy God, you call us to be people of worship,
but we forget to sing your praise.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Holy God, you call us to be people who love,
but we forget to love you.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

May God our Father forgive you your sins,
and bring you to the fellowship of his table
with his saints for ever.

All Amen.

*Please stand. Giving thanks to God, the choir will join their voices
together in the ancient words of the Gloria.*

**Glory be to God in heaven,
peace to those who love him well;
on the earth let all his people
speak his grace, his wonders tell:
Lord, we praise you for your glory,
mighty Father, heaven's king;
hear our joyful adoration
and accept the thanks we bring.**

**Only Son of God the Father,
Lamb who takes our sin away,
now with God in triumph seated
for your mercy, Lord, we pray:
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,
Saviour, you are God alone
in the glory of the Father
with the Spirit: Three-in-One!**

*The President says the Church's special prayer (Collect) for All Saints'
Day.*

Let us pray that we may be strengthened by our communion with all the saints.

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit as the choir sing the Gradual Hymn.

**Let saints on earth in concert sing
with those whose work is done;
for all the servants of our King
in heav'n and earth are one.**

**One family, we dwell in him,
one Church, above, beneath;
though now divided by the stream,
the narrow stream of death.**

**The people of the living God,
to his command we bow:
part of the host have crossed the flood,
and part are crossing now.**

**E'en now to their eternal home
there pass some spirits blest;
while others to the margin come,
waiting their call to rest.**

**Jesu, be thou our constant guide;
then, when the word is giv'n,
bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
and bring us safe to heav'n.**

Please stand for the Gospel, Matthew 5:1-12.

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, God's own people,
called out of darkness into his marvellous light.

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit for the Sermon – the Revd Mike Trotman, Rector.

Please stand to declare our faith in God.

**All We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit for the prayers.

To the bidding Lord, in your mercy
Please respond **hear our prayer.**

At the end

Merciful Father,
**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand as the President introduces the peace.

God makes peace within us – let us claim it.
God makes peace between us – let us share it.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

All are invited to share a (socially distanced) sign of peace with those around them.

Bread and wine are placed on the altar as the choir sing our offertory hymn.

**Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest,
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice oppressed.
I know not, ah, I know not
what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare.**

**They stand, those halls of Zion,
all jubilant with song,
and bright with many angels,
and all the martyr throng;
the prince is ever in them,
the daylight is serene;
the pastures of the blessed
are decked in glorious sheen.**

**There is the throne of David;
and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph,
the song of them that feast;
and they, who with their leader
have fully run the race,
are robed in white for ever
before their Saviour's face.**

**O sweet and blessed country,
the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country
that eager hearts expect!
Jesus, in mercy, bring us
to that dear land of rest;
who art, with God the Father
and Spirit, ever blest.**

The President offers this prayer taking the bread and wine.

As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth
into your kingdom.

All **Amen.**

We remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Lord is here.

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

v1 It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

v2 When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

All **You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

v3 In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

All **He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All **As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

v4 With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

Choir

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom for ever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

*Bells are rung as we honour Christ's presence in bread and wine.
After a moment's silence, please sit for The Lord's Prayer...*

With saints and martyrs through the ages,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The President breaks the consecrated bread saying:

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The choir sing an arrangement of the Agnus Dei:

**O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts
and take our sin away.**

**O Lamb of God, your grace impart,
and let our guilty fear depart,
have mercy, Lord, we pray,
have mercy, Lord, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, our lives restore,
our guilty souls release.
Into our lives your Spirit pour
and let us live for evermore
in perfect heav'nly peace,
in perfect heav'nly peace.**

The President invites the people to receive Communion with these words:

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia.
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

All Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a Blessing. Due to the restrictions of the coronavirus pandemic, Communion will be given in one kind only. Please respect the distance of at least one metre from others as you come forward, and form one line in the central aisle. Please sanitise your hands before receiving the host.

Any visitors who are used to receiving Communion in another Christian church are welcome to receive Communion here today. If you are not a Communicant you are welcome to come forward for a Blessing.

If you would like to receive a Blessing, please bring this service booklet with you. A Blessing will be given maintaining social distance.

Our choir sings the following hymn:

***The kingdom of heaven,
the kingdom of heaven is yours.
A new world in Jesus
a new world in Jesus is yours.***

**Blessed are you in sorrow and grief,
for you shall all be consoled;
blessed are you, the gentle of heart,
you shall inherit the earth.**

**Blessed are you who hunger for right,
for you shall be satisfied;
blessed are you the merciful ones,
for you shall be pardoned too.**

**Blessed are you whose hearts are pure,
your eyes shall gaze on the Lord;
blessed are you who strive after peace,
the Lord will call you his own.**

**Blessed are you who suffer for right,
the heav'nly kingdom is yours;
blessed are you who suffer for me,
for you shall reap your reward.**

After Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

**Lord of heaven,
in this Eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All **Amen.**

Announcements are made.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

We remain seated as the choir sings our final hymn:

**O when the saints go marching in,
O when the saints go marching in,
I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in.**

**O when they crown him Lord of all,
O when they crown him Lord of all,
I want to be in that number
when they crown him Lord of all.**

**O when all knees bow at his name,
O when all knees bow at his name,
I want to be in that number
when all knees bow at his name.**

**O when they sing the Saviour's praise,
O when they sing the Saviour's praise,
I want to be in that number
when they sing the Saviour's praise.**

**O when the saints go marching in,
O when the saints go marching in,
I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in.**

Please stand for our acclamation:

We remember the saints of long ago.

All We remember.

We remember that we are the saints of today.

All We remember.

We remember that we are surrounded by all the saints.

All We remember.

We remember that we follow Jesus.

All We remember.

The Blessing:

With the saints, know the gift of courage,
with the saints, know the gift of faith,
with the saints, know the gift of love.
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth,
go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

The ministers and people depart.

Colour me...



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